

Dear Friend,

As you may already know, last week the Supreme Court handed down its decision to uphold Obamacare's individual mandate on the grounds that it functions as a tax - directly contradicting the promises made by the President, his Administration officials, and the Democratic congressional majority at that time to the American people that the Obamacare mandate is not a tax. While I respect the Supreme Court's decision, I vehemently disagree with its core ruling. At the end of the day, Obamacare is bad policy that burdens American families and businesses with more taxes and places bureaucracies between patients and their doctors.

From the moment of its introduction, the American people have expressed concerns about the impacts it would have on our economy, the cost and quality of healthcare, and the national debt. The nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office predicts Obamacare will reduce the nation's labor supply by 800,000 workers, and economists predict an even more staggering nationwide loss of up to 2 million jobs. In addition, a recent Chamber of Commerce survey indicated that 74 percent of small businesses say the law makes it more difficult for them to hire new workers. But most importantly, when I hold tele-town halls, talk with families and individuals in our communities or meet with local small business owners, I continue to hear that they remain opposed to the government takeover of health care. These are the reasons why one of the first votes I cast this Congress was for the full repeal of Obamacare; since then, the House has voted twenty-nine additional times to defund, dismantle or repeal it.

The Court's ruling makes one thing clear – it is up to Congress to act to repeal the impending health care tax increases on American families. That is why my Republican colleagues in the House and I will move forward to fully repeal ObamaCare in order to prevent further harm to our economy, job creation and the cost and quality of care. More than two years after its passage, health care costs have gone up and millions of Americans are at risk of losing their current coverage. This law contains \$813 billion of new taxes and weighs in at a total cost of almost \$2 trillion – and the impact of pending tax hikes on hardworking families and small businesses in California and across the country, massive new debt-fueled spending and the proliferation of burdensome regulations is adding to the uncertainty that is already holding back economic growth and job creation.

The debate is not over and we will not rest. House Republicans will vote to repeal the law in its entirety for another time. We need to make reforms to our health care system that will actually lower costs, protect American innovation and provide certainty to American families and small

business owners – we cannot achieve this unless we have full repeal. Please be assured that as your Representative in Congress, I will continue to fight to implement reforms through an open process that will make health care more affordable, preserve the doctor-patient relationship, and keep unaccountable government bureaucrats from rationing care for all Americans. I look forward to working with my colleagues in the House to achieve this goal.

Sincerely,

Congressman Kevin McCarthy